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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Laguna, et al.  
Appl. No. : 09/384,900  
Filed : August 27, 1999  
Title : An Improved Balloon Catheter And  
Method Of Mounting Same

Group Art Unit: 3763  
Examiner : J. Thissell

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Honorable Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that an extension of time for 3 months, to and including December 6, 2001, be granted in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) in order to extend the period for response to the Office Action mailed June 6, 2001.

**The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge all filing fees due under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and all other fees due under section 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 07-1729.**

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